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1. JOSE MANUEL BRANA DURAN CLAIMS AFFILIATION 100 MAN GR FORCE IN CAJAGUAY PROVINCE COMMANDED BY FORMER REBEL CAPT ORLANDO ORCZCO. IN INTERVIEW WITH KIDNAP BRANA CLAIMED GROUP APOLITICAL AND HAD TRAINING AMBUSH. REQUEST ATTEMPT VERIFY BCMA FILES.

2. SAID GROUP DIVIDED FIVE SQUADS TWENTY MEN EACH AND BEINGS HMAS MORTARS AP MINES FIELD BATTERIES AND AN TRANSMITTER. NO COMMITMENT MADE.

3. BRANA STATED HE SURE THAT CAPT CLAUDIO MEDINA AEROVIAS "Q" PILOT WHO FLIES HAVA KEY WEST BEEN READY FOR ANTI CASTRO ASSAULTS.

4. BRANA ADDRESS 104 S. WOODLIND AVE TAMPA PHONE REDWOOD 73936.

5. A. NO EQS TAKES SUBJ WHO SON OF MANUEL BRANA, FORMER CUBAN AMB TO MEXI AND CURRENTLY IN CONTACT ROBERTO DE VARGHA FOR CIA MATTERS MEXI. PAPER RPTD 1954 BY CUBA AS PERSONAL FRIEND ENRIQUE SOLER KNOWN CUBAN COMRADE. NEGOTIATED ARMS PURCHASES MEXI FOR REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES 1952.

B. ONE ORCZCO RPTD PSP MEMBER 1959 IN LAS VILLAS. NOT LISTED ANY ON REBEL ARMY BY COMEX.

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C. MEDINA EPID JULY 1959 BY GUERNY WORKING REVOLUTIONARY POLICE.

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(OTALE)

EXILE MIAMI 1958. RETURNED CUBA 1959. INVOLVED TRANSPORTING

MEN AND ARMS FOR INVASION PANAMA. 1955 REPORT POSSIBLY IDENTICAL

MEDINA INDICATES INVOLVED ANTI-SCHOLAR, PRO COMMIE REVOLUTIONARY

ACT IN SAN JOSE.

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